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- (d) Notwithstanding any particular provision permitting incorporation by reference, no registration statement, application or report shall incorporate by reference any exhibit or financial statement which:
  - (1) Has been withdrawn, or
- (2) Was filed in connection with a registration statement under the Act, or a registration on a national securities exchange, which has ceased to be effective, or
- (3) Is contained in a registration statement or report subject, at the time of the incorporation by reference, to pending proceedings under section 8(b) or 8(d) of the Securities Act of 1933, section 8(e) of the Act, or to an order entered under any of those Sections, or
- (4) If it is a document that has been filed in paper with respect to an electronic filer under a temporary hardship exemption (§232.201 of this chapter) and an electronic format copy has not been submitted.
- (e) Notwithstanding any particular provision permitting incorporation by reference, the Commission may refuse to permit such incorporation in any case in which in its judgment such incorporation would render the registration statement application, or report incomplete, unclear, or confusing.

(Sec. 19, 48 Stat. 85, as amended, secs. 13, 15, 23, 48 Stat. 894, 895, 901, as amended, sec. 20, 49 Stat. 833, secs. 305, 307, 314, 319, 53 Stat. 1154, 1156, 1167, 1173, as amended, sec. 39, 54 Stat. 841; 15 U.S.C. 77s, 78m, 78o, 78w, 79t, 77eee, 77ggg, 77nnn, 77sss, 80a–38)

[Rule N-4, 9 FR 338, Jan. 8, 1944. Redesignated at 14 FR 2761, May 26, 1949, as amended at 29 FR 2421, Feb. 13, 1964; 58 FR 14860, Mar. 18, 1993; 60 FR 32825, June 23, 1995]

## § 270.0-5 Procedure with respect to applications and other matters.

The procedure herein below set forth will be followed with respect to any proceeding initiated by the filing of an application, or upon the Commission's own motion, pursuant to any section of the Act or any rule or regulation thereunder, unless in the particular case a different procedure is provided:

(a) Notice of the initiation of the proceeding will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and will indicate the earliest date upon which an order disposing of the matter may be entered.

The notice will also provide that any interested person may, within the period of time specified therein, submit to the Commission in writing any facts bearing upon the desirability of a hearing on the matter and may request that a hearing be held, stating his reasons therefor and the nature of his interest in the matter.

- (b) An order disposing of the matter will be issued as of course, following the expiration of the period of time referred to in paragraph (a) of this section, unless the Commission thereafter orders a hearing on the matter.
- (c) The Commission will order a hearing on the matter, if it appears that a hearing is necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors, (1) upon the request of an interested person or (2) upon its own motion.

[38 FR 23325, Aug. 29, 1973, as amended at 61 FR 49961, Sept. 24, 1996]

#### § 270.0-8 Payment of fees.

All payment of fees shall be made by wire transfer, or by certified check, bank cashier's check, United States postal money order, or bank money order payable to the Securities and Exchange Commission, omitting the name or title of any official of the Commission. Payment of fees required by this section shall be made in accordance with the directions set forth in § 202.3a of this chapter.

[73 FR 6014, Feb. 1, 2008]

### § 270.0-9 [Reserved]

# § 270.0-10 Small entities under the Investment Company Act for purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

(a) General. For purposes of Commission rulemaking in accordance with the provisions of Chapter Six of the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) and unless otherwise defined for purposes of a particular rulemaking, the term small business or small organization for purposes of the Investment Company Act of 1940 shall mean an investment company that, together with other investment companies in the same group of related investment companies, has net assets of \$50 million or less as of the end of its most recent